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Unitary shipments -----

July record keeps year up 2.8%

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air source heat pumps set a monthly record for July of 430,801 -- the third highest all-time monthly shipments -- to stay 2.8 percent ahead of 1987's record pace, according to ARI statistics. Since July 1986, unitary shipments have established records in 24 of the last 25 months.

Heat pump shipments, however, dropped 13.6% compared to their July 1987 all-time record month, falling 5.9 percent behind last year's record pace. U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during July:

- o totalled 430,801,
- o up 1.6% from July 1987,
- o year-to-date total 2,653,891,
- o up 2.8% from January-July 1987.

Heat pump shipments included in the July figures:

- o totalled 80,618,
- o down 13.6% from July 1987,
- o year-to-date total 533,533,
- o down 5.9% from January-July 1987.

July factory stocks:

- o down 47,592 units from June,
- o down 28,986 units from July 1987.

July distributor shipments:

- o up 10% from July 1987,
- o year-to-date shipments up 1%.

July distributor inventories:

- o down 52,639 units from June,
- o up 155,410 units from July 1987.

July U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- o up 14% from July 1987,
- o year-to-date up 12%.

July U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- o up 69% from July 1987,
- o year-to-date up 7%.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary by Size.)

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

Date JULY, 1988

UNITED STATES

	SIZE BTUH (000)		NUMBER OF UNITS						
			CONDENSER-TYPE		U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1987			
			AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	WATER COOLED B					
CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	Under 16.5		2965		2965	16.4-			
	16.5-21.9		28465		28465	22.2-			
	22-26.9		88553		88553	1.3-			
	27-32.9		92399		92399	18.5+			
	33-38.9		101725	68	101793	5.2+			
	39-43.9		32979		32979	4.8+			
	44-53.9		35888		35888	3.1-			
	54-64.9		32120	146	32266	8.4-			
	65-96.9		5774	111	5885	7.0-			
	97-134.9		4623	63	4686	3.1-			
	135-184.9		2334	72	2406	8.1+			
	185-249.9		1009	30	1039	34.8+			
	250-319.9		542	29	571	18.7+			
	320-379.9		303	13	316	3.7-			
	380-539.9		146	24	170	34.9-			
	540-639.9		78	44	122	9.9+			
	640 and over		270	28	298	21.6+			
	TOTAL		430173	628	430801	1.6+			